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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE REPRESENTATION ON AD HOC GROUP IN VIENNA

REF: A) USNATO 5456 DTG 071756Z OCT 75; B) STATE 241611 DTG
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1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS KILLHAM (US) INFORMED US OF THE CURRENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR PORTUGUESE ATTENDANCE AT THE AD HOC GROUP MEETINGS IN VIENNA, WHICH WERE APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND FORWARDED OCTOBER 13 TO THE IS VIENNA REP (COHEN).

2. THE SECRETARY GENERAL HAS NO OBJECTION AT THIS TIME TO PORTUGUESE AMBASSADOR CONDE'S OCCASIONAL ATTENDANCE AT AD HOC GROUP MEETINGS SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

A. CONDE IS NOT TO RECEIVE DOCUMENTS NATO SECRET OR HIGHER, EXCEPT FOR RECORDS OF FORMAL AND INFORMAL SESSIONS WITH THE EAST.

B. CONDE IS NOT TO BE ACCOMPANIED OR REPLACED BY ANOTHER MEMBER OF HIS DELEGATION.

C. CONDE, WHILE RETAINING THE RIGHT TO ATTEND MEETINGS, WILL NOT BE EXPECTED TO EXERCISE IT VERY OFTEN. IN THIS
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REGARD, CONDE HAS MADE IT CLEAR THAT HE WOULD SELDOM ATTEND.

D. THAT CHAIRMAN OF THE AD HOC GROUP PREVENT DISCUSSION

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OF SENSITIVE MATTERS IN THE PRESENCE OF CONDE AND THAT WEEKLY CHAIRMAN WILL ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ENSURING THIS.

E. CHAIRMAN OF THE WEEK WILL GO OVER THE ARRANGEMENTS INFORMALLY WITH CONDE TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF THEM.

F. AN Y CHANGE IN THIS SITUATION WILL BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO NATO HEADQUARTERS.

3. COMMENT: LUNS' INSTRUCTIONS TO VIENNA ACCORD WITH DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS (PARA 4 OF REF B), WHICH WE RAISED WITH LUNS'S STAFF ON OCTOBER 10 IN LATTER'S ABSENCE (REF C). WE WILL EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION TO SYG FOR HIS ACTION ON THIS MATTER WHEN WE DISCUSS WASHINGTON VIEWS ON PORTUGAL AND NATO SECURITY AFTER HE RETURNS TO BRUSSELS ON OCTOBER 15. SEE SEPTEL FOR REPORT OF PERMREP LUNCH DISCUSSION OF THIS MATTER.STREATOR

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